

***TOWN OF NEWFIELDS BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2008***

The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm. Selectmen present were: Michael Woodworth, Rosanne Gilbert, and Wes Moore. Others present included: Carolee Fieldsend, Clay Mitchell, Chief Reed, Jamie Thompson, John Crisp, John Hayden, Bill Meserve, Jim Daley, and Sarah MacGregor.

Checks were signed.

The meeting went into a non-public session at 6:50pm per RSA 91-A:3 II and re-opened to the public at 7:05pm.

Clay Mitchell advised that he is working on a strategy to get the pole into the ground for the anometer. He will work with Larry Shaw and Ray Buxton to install the pole at the Water and Sewer Plant. He hopes to have it up and running next week.

Chief Reed advised the Selectmen that the generator donated to the Town by Seabrook Station will not work for the Towns needs. The cost to get it running is too much and the Town needs a 30 kilowatt generator - the free one is 15 kilowatts. The mobile generator will run the heat and a few outlets in the Town Hall Building, where a 30 kilowatt generator would run the entire building. Chief Reed will research the cost of a 30 kilowatt generator (including installation).

The police responded to a domestic call last week in which one party was arrested. He was re-arrested as an unregistered sex offender and is currently at the Rockingham County Jail.

Jamie Thompson and John Crisp met with the Selectmen to review the budget process for 2009. Wes thanked them for doing a great job last year. A letter will be sent to all of the department heads to let them know the process is starting and to make a date to meet with the Budget Advisory Committee.

Wes said that with the bad economy, foreclosures going on, and people hurting in Town, we need to keep the Town costs down. Fuel costs will be a big concern for the Fire, Police, Highway Departments along with the Town Hall/Office. Rosanne asked that the building maintenance costs be included in the line item for Government Buildings - not as a Warrant Article. All agreed that would be the proper area for this item.

Volunteers are still needed to serve on this Committee and the Selectmen, Jamie, and John will work to find some people. Please contact the Town Office if you are willing to volunteer.

Bill Meserve informed the Selectmen that the Planning Board received the first review of the Vienneau's proposed subdivision. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, the Department of the Army, the New Hampshire Heritage Bureau, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, and the Newfields Conservation Commission all expressed concerns with the project.

After some discussion and research by Clay Mitchell, it was determined that the Planning Board should have seven members including the ex officio member.

Rosanne made a motion to appoint John Hayden as a member of the Planning Board. The motion was seconded by Michael and the motion passed with all in favor.

The Board members are: Bill Meserve, Chairman, Michael Price, Michael Todd, Mark Bouzianis, Jim Daley, John Hayden, and Michael Woodworth as the ex officio. The Planning Board Appointments were signed by the Selectmen.

The Planning Board will put together an item for the next election which will clarify the number of members on the Board.

Sarah MacGregor of Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc. gave an update on the mosquito situation. As it has rained all summer, the area is inundated with mosquitoes. It was about this time last year that a young man from Newfields contracted EEE. Sarah suggested adulticiding (roadside spraying) be done. All of the Selectmen were in agreement.

Michael made a motion to approve two mosquito sprayings/adulticidings. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

Adulticiding will be done on Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> between 7:00pm and 11:00pm and again on Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> (if it rains, on the 29<sup>th</sup>). Notices will be posted at the Town Office, Town Hall, Library, Post Office, Newfields General Store, Great Bay Camping Store, and on the marquee in front of the Town Hall. The Exeter Newsletter, Fosters Daily Democrat, and WMUR Channel 9 will also announce the spraying. Sue will put a notice on the Town website – [www.newfieldsnh.gov](http://www.newfieldsnh.gov).

Dennis Dobe is willing to allow spraying at the elementary school as soon as Dragon Mosquito Control recommends it.

Sarah said that Labor Day Week is the peak time for mosquito activity. She will provide a report to the Selectmen by September 2<sup>nd</sup> so that they may determine if additional spraying is required.

Wes would like to hold a public hearing to talk about OHRV's on all town roads (with certain rules and regulations) excluding Routes 85, 87, and 108. It was decided to hold the hearing on September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Town Hall.

Nancy was asked to contact Bestway Disposal Services to inquire whether town residents would be able to dispose of tires at the fall clean up day without having to pay a fee.

Research finds that on Old Lee Road, the maintenance of driveway culverts and swales are the responsibility of the property owner. The Road Agent will identify the property owners where maintenance needed so that they may be notified.

A quote from Lee Angers Masonry was reviewed and tabled until the estimates on the cupola are received.

Wes made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2008 Selectmen's Meeting as amended. Rosanne seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

Rosanne made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm. Michael seconded the motion and the motion passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy J. Spencer  
Administrative Assistant